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## Grand Teton National Park News Release

### **Teton Science School Environmental Assessment Available for Public Review**

Grand Teton National Park Superintendent Mary Gibson Scott announced today that an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Teton Science School **Rehabilitation and Improvement of Infrastructure** is available for public review and comment. Comments will be accepted through August 2, 2004.

Established in 1967, Teton Science School (TSS) is a nonprofit organization based in Grand Teton National Park that provides an environmental education center within the southern portion of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Located along Ditch Creek in the East Antelope Flats portion of Grand Teton, the school helps the National Park Service (NPS) carry out its mission by connecting people of all ages to nature through hands-on education.

Currently, the TSS campus lacks an adequate water system. The school also lacks adequate housing, office space and storage for its employees and students. In addition, none of the walkways around the campus grounds are handicap accessible.

The environmental assessment, prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), examines the following four alternatives: Alternative 1 – No Action; Alternative 2 – Water System Improvements Only; Alternative 3 – Relocation of the Hunter Hereford Barn; and Alternative 4 – Build a new Facility on the Kelly Campus. The NPS has not identified a preferred alternative for this project. A decision will be reached on the TSS project following review and incorporation of public comments.

Alternative 3 and 4 propose different methods for improving infrastructure at the Kelly Campus. Alternative 3 would create additional housing, office space, and storage by relocating and adaptively using the Hunter Hereford Barn. Alternative 4 would create additional space on the Kelly Campus by allowing TSS to build a new facility for these purposes. Following construction, all disturbed ground would be rehabilitated through replanting with native species.

The Teton Science School Rehabilitation and Improvement of Infrastructure EA is posted online at [www.nps.gov/grte/plans/planning.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grte/plans/planning.htm). Copies of the document are available at the Moose Visitor Center in the park and at the reference desk in the Teton County Library. For further information, call 307/ 739-3390.

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